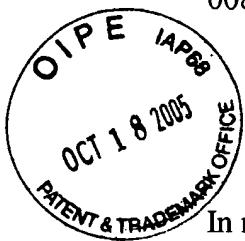


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document so listed is enclosed.

Japan 08-152978

This document was cited during prosecution of a Chinese application from which the above-identified application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, namely China 2004-10003801. A copy of a Chinese Office Action dated July 22, 2005 is enclosed.

An English language translation for the document Japan 08-152978 is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for the document is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English translation. See MPEP § 609.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

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